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Applicant: Hyon et al.
Group Art Unit: 1796
Examiner: Susan W. Berman
Title: ULTRA HIGH MOLECULAR WEIGHT POLYETHYLENE
MOLDED ARTICLE FOR ARTIFICIAL JOINTS AND
METHOD OF PREPARING THE SAME
Attorney Docket: 1736-000001/REB

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.116 AND REQUEST FOR
THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection mailed October 28, 2008, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the accompanying remarks. The amendments and remarks place the claims in condition of allowance so that entry is proper. The amendments are permissible after a Final Rejection for the further reason that they place the claims in better condition for appeal. Applicants request a three-month extension of time for reply on or before April 28, 2009 and authorize the required fee be charged to Dep. Acct. 08-0750.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.